

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 3 and 6 are now pending in the application. Applicants have placed Claims 4, 5 and 7 in a non-elected status to overcome the objections to the specification and restriction of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

The Examiner states that claims 1, 2, 3 and 6 (Group I) would be allowable if claims 4, 5 and 7 (Group II) were placed in a non-elected status. Accordingly, Applicants have elected to prosecute claims 1, 2, 3 and 6 of the Application.

Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the subject matter of claims 4, 5 and 7 in a divisional application.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner

believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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